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Convict cichlid

Amatitlania nigrofasciata

The convict cichlid is a small, robust freshwater fish native to Central America, known for its distinctive black vertical stripes resembling a prison uniform. Highly territorial and intelligent, con...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Cichlidae

Habitat: Freshwater rivers, streams, and lakes with rocky substrates

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 8–10 years

Weight: 30–60 grams

Scientific name: *Amatitlania nigrofasciata*

Did you know?

- Unlike most fish, convict cichlid fathers actively share duties like fanning and guarding the eggs alongside the mothers.
- Convict cichlids are renowned for their strong pair bonding and cooperative parenting, with both parents fiercely guarding their offspring. Their ada...

What I learned
